GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
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Status of HTS in Arunachal Pradesh
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the status of Hill Transport Subsidy (HTS) in Arunachal Pradesh;
(b) whether the HTS bills submitted to FCI have been paid, if not, the reasons therefor;
(c) whether FCI is planning to make payments for Hill Transport Subsidies (HTS) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh and has also been asked by Supreme Court to make the aforesaid payments; and
(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)
(a) Hill transport subsidy covers the expenditure incurred by State Govt. for moving stocks from base depot (designated by FCI in consultation with States) upto approved Principal Distribution Centres (PDCs). PDCs are approved by the GoI. These charges are reimbursed by the FCI on actual basis as certified by the State Govt.
(b) The status of bills submitted by State Government from 2009 to RO Arunachal Pradesh is as under:

S. No	Period	HTS Bills	Claimed Amount (in Rs.)	Remarks
1	2009-10	89	2,51,63,221.00	The bills were returned to State Govt. by FCI on account of deficiencies noticed.
2	2010-12	67	3,58,88,687.00	
3	2010-12	153	4,91,53,486.00	These bills were returned to State Govt. as they did not comply with the guidelines laid down as per recommendations of Saumitra Chaudhuri committee.
4	2012-13	47	22,04,78,795.00	
5	2013-14	41	11,64,53,530.00	
Total		397	44,71,37,319.00	

(c) & (d): There is no pendency of any bill towards HTS to State Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh with the FCI. In the SLP (C) No. 32034-35/2011 − State of Arunachal Pradesh Vs FCI & others, Hon'ble Supreme Court has dismissed all the Special Leave Petitions filed by the State of Arunachal Pradesh against the Judgment and Order dated 18.3.2011 passed by the Division Bench of the Guwahati High Court in Writ Petition (Civil) No 242/2010 and Order dated 6.9.2011 in Review Petition No 41/2011 in the aforesaid matter.
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